Northeastern Illinois University welcomes all students, regardless of citizenship or residency. We value the diversity our students bring and we strive to provide a supportive and inclusive environment for all students. We are excited to offer the following resources for undocumented students.

**Process for Assessing In-State Tuition for Undocumented Students**

In order to better serve our undocumented student population and to comply with Illinois General Assembly Public Act 93-0007, NEIU created the Affidavit form for Eligibility for Residency Tuition, a simple and easy to use form for students who qualify for in-state tuition.

The Affidavit form for Eligibility for Residency Tuition includes all of the relevant information that NEIU is required to collect and confirm in order to determine if a student qualifies for in-state tuition as stipulated by Public Act 93-0007 on an easy to read, one sided document.

Northeastern Illinois University has established the following practices to notify students of their eligibility for in-state tuition and processing:

1. The Affidavit form for Eligibility for Residency Tuition is sent to all undocumented students who are admitted and is included with their admission letter.
2. Freshman applicants fill out the form, respond to the three qualifying questions, sign and date the document and return it to the Admissions Review and Processing Office.
3. Transfer students also fill out the form, but in most cases they must also submit a high school transcript so that we can verify number of year attended at an Illinois school (the high school transcript is not required for most transfer students at the time of admission).
4. Once the form is received by the Admissions Review and Processing Office, our staff review the responses on the Affidavit form and the high school transcript to determine if the student meets the qualifications of Public Act 93-0007.
5. If all qualifications are met, tuition is reassigned to that of in-state and the change is immediately reflected on the student account and viewable in NEIUport by the student.
6. This form and high school transcript must be received within 30 calendar days from the date of assessment of tuition or the date designated in the official university calendar as that upon which instruction begins for the academic period for which the tuition is payable or the student loses the rights to change or adjust tuition for the semester in question.

The Affidavit form for Eligibility for Resident Tuition can also be found as part of our online is available online at http://www.neiu.edu/NEIU%20Departments/Administrative%20Departments/Admissions/undocumented/index.html, is part of the online application for admission, and can be picked up from our Admissions Office or at the Enrollment Services Office.

**Public Act 93-0007 at a Glance**

The [Acevedo Bill or Act 93-0007](http://www.neiu.edu/NEIU%20Departments/Administrative%20Departments/Admissions/undocumented/index.html) or as it is commonly known HB 60 was passed in 2003. In order to qualify for in-state/resident tuition, a student must meet the following criteria:

1. The individual had to have resided with his or her parents or guardian while attending a public or private high school in Illinois
2. The individual had to have graduated from a public or private high school OR received the equivalent of a high school diploma (GED) in Illinois.
3. The individual had to have attended school in Illinois for at least 3 years as of the date the individual graduated from high school or received the equivalent of a high school diploma.
4. In case the individual is not a citizen or a permanent resident of the United States, the individual has to provide the university with an affidavit stating that the individual will file an application to become a permanent resident or the United States at the earliest opportunity the individual is eligible to do so.
Affidavit Form for Eligibility for Residency Tuition
According to Public Act 93-0007

Student Name (Please Print) __________________________ NEIU ID Number __________

In order to qualify for in-state tuition, you must submit an official high school transcript if you were admitted as a transfer student. The high school transcript is required for the verification process. In-state tuition is not granted unless you meet all qualifications as stipulated in Public Act 93-0007 of the Illinois General Assembly.

This form will be used for the sole purpose of assessing the assignment of in-state tuition and has no impact on the admissions process. This form and high school transcript must be received within 30 calendar days from the date of assessment of tuition or the date designated in the official university calendar as that upon which instruction begins for the academic period for which the tuition is payable or the student loses the rights to change or adjust tuition for the semester in question.

INSTRUCTIONS

You must answer each of the questions below and sign your name in the Affidavit section. Submit the completed and signed document and high school transcript to the Admissions Review and Processing Office. Please allow 1-2 weeks for review and reassignment of tuition if eligible.

1. Did you reside with your parent(s)/guardian(s) while attending a public or private high school in Illinois?
   [ ] Yes    [ ] No

2. Did you graduate from a public or private high school or receive the equivalent of a high school diploma (GED) in the state of Illinois?
   [ ] Yes    [ ] No

3. Did you attend high school in Illinois for at least 3 years as of the date you graduated from high school or received the equivalent of a high school diploma?
   [ ] Yes    [ ] No

I hereby swear that the information contained herein this document is complete and true to the best of my knowledge. I hereby swear that I will file an application to become a permanent resident of the United States at my earliest opportunity to do so.

______________________________________ ______________________
Student Signature Date of Signature

Office Use:
Resident Tuition Approved [ ] Yes [ ] No Staff Initials ______ Date _______